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Counting Messages of Quantum Sources

We study the number of typical messages that can be emitted by a

quantum source, hoping to nd a fundamental connection to the von Neu-

mann entropy. We focus attention to the linear independence in a given

set of quantum messages. We approached this problem by studying the

spectrum of Gram matrices that are constructed using the set of mes-

sages. We will use this method to study the number of typical messages

of quantum sources that are only able to emit two qubits and try to relate

it to the entropy. Next, we also examine the number of typical messages

of more general sources that emit states which are uniformly distributed.

In this case the Gram matrices are random matrices and we will explore

their eigenvalue distribution. Finally we reach the conjecture that this

eigenvalue distribution is a Marchenko-Pastur distribution.